

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MONTANA
GREAT FALLS DIVISION

MONTANA ENVIRONMENTAL
INFORMATION CENTER, SIERRA
CLUB, WILDEARTH GUARDIANS,
and CITIZENS FOR CLEAN
ENERGY,

Plaintiffs,

vs.

MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF
ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY,
CHRISTOPHER DORRINGTON, in
his official capacity as director of
Montana Department of Environmental
Quality, and DAN WALSH, in his
official capacity as Bureau Chief of the
Mining Bureau of the Montana
Department of Environmental Quality,

Defendants.

CV-23-28-GF-BMM

ORDER

Defendant-Intervenor, Westmoreland Rosebud Mining LLC

(“Westmoreland”) has moved for an order allowing Bryson C. Smith, Esq., to
appear *pro hac vice* in this case with William W. Mercer, Esq., designated as local

counsel. (Doc. 39). The application of Mr. Smith appears to be in compliance with L.R. 83.1(d). **IT IS ORDERED:**

Westmorland's motion to allow Mr. Smith to appear in this Court (Doc. 39) is **GRANTED**, subject to the following conditions:

1. Local counsel shall exercise the responsibilities required by L.R. 83.1(d)(5) and must be designated as lead counsel or as co-lead counsel;
2. Mr. Smith must do his own work. He must do his own writings, sign his own pleadings, motions, briefs, and, if designated co-lead counsel, must appear and participate personally in all proceedings before the Court;
3. The Applicant Attorney shall take steps to register in the Court's electronic filing system ("CM-ECF"). Further information is available on the Court's website, www.mtd.uscourts.gov.
4. Local counsel shall also sign all such pleadings, motions and briefs and other documents served or filed; and
5. Admission is personal to Mr. Smith, not the law firm he works for.
6. Local counsel will provide a copy of this order to pro hac counsel.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:

Mr. Smith must file, within fifteen (15) days from the date of this Order, an acknowledgment and acceptance of his admission under the terms set forth above.

DATED this 6th day of November, 2023.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Brian Morris". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line extending from the end of the name.

Brian Morris, Chief District Judge
United States District Court